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10 CENTS PER WEEK

## CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Men Perish in a Pennsylvania Colliery Two Killed in a Colorado Mine.

## SNOW STORM IN THE NORTHWEST.

New York Republicans Will Caucus To-morrow Evening—Indications that Thomas C. Platt Will Be Chosen.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—Four men were crushed to death at the Wadsworth colliery by the breaking of a rope. Considerable damage was also done to the colliery.

The dead are John Taylor, Peter Timco, Henry Lynn and Wm. Taylor. The fatally injured are Theodore Frounkenstein. The accident was caused by a crosshead, weighing several hundred pounds, falling upon the men, a distance of three hundred feet, while they were descending the shaft.

## GENERAL SNOW STORM

The Fall is Considerable in Northwest—Street Cars and Railroads are Blocked.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Dispatches from numerous towns in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Iowa and northern Illinois and the Black Hills, south Dakota, show that a heavy snow storm raged yesterday and last night. Many places report that it is still snowing this morning. In Missouri it turned into rain freezing in the western portion as far as Burlington, Council Bluffs and Des Moines, Iowa. It is reported that street car traffic is blocked by the wet heavy snow.

## WILL BE PLATT.

New York Republicans Will Caucus To-morrow Evening.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 13.—The Republican members of the legislature will caucus to-morrow evening on the selection of a successor to Senator Hill whose term expires March 1. There appears to be no reason to doubt that Thomas C. Platt will be nominated for the position by a heavy majority.

## Killed in an Explosion.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—Word has been received that yesterday afternoon in a tunnel at the Ad-It Mining company near Wm. there was an explosion of giant powder which killed John W. Glover and three other men, contractors, T. A. Gagarro and John W. Schriber, tearing their bodies to shreds.

## J. IRVING PEARCE INSTALLED.

Illinois State Board of Agriculture Elects Him President.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—The Illinois state board of agriculture held a meeting yesterday and installed J. Irving Pearce of Chicago as president for the ensuing two years and re-elected Wilson C. Gardner secretary.

John J. W. Judy, who has occupied the presidency of the board for the past two years, was presented with a handsome watch mounted clock, with two side ornaments of gold. The presentation speech was made by Irvin Gay of Chicago. Col. Judy sincerely thanked the board for its kind remembrance and hearty co-operation with him during his term as president.

## Other Speeches were made by John Landrum, J. K. Dickerson and D. W. Vittum.

The new members were shown in and the board commenced the work of revising the premium list for this year's fair, which will be held Sept. 27 to Oct. 1.

## Indiana Nominates Fairbanks.

Indianapolis, Jan. 13.—The Republican caucus on the senatorial question was held last night and Fairbanks was nominated. The last day of the caucus was productive of so much activity that it proved an interruption to legislative business and neither house held an afternoon session. The Fairbanks managers determined upon a plan of having a secret ballot with the reservation that any man who voted might announce his vote. The caucus got under way at 8 o'clock and the organization determined upon by the Fairbanks men went through by acclamation, making Senator Newby chairman and Representative Henderson secretary. When it was decided to proceed with the nomination of the senator, Senator Shively offered a resolution that the vote be by secret ballot, each member depositing his ballot in a hat provided over by the chairman and each member having the privilege of announcing his vote as he cast it.

## At 9 o'clock a vote was taken and the Shively resolution was adopted by a vote of 52 to 13. Thereupon a ballot from the

caucus was led by Senator Duncan, followed by Senators Hubbell, Bozman, O'Brien, Collett, Kerns, Hall and Early, and Representatives Morgan, Stetler, Rose, Patterson of Fulton, Berry, Mulser, McCrea and Butler—sixteen in all. These senators went to the senate chamber and held a caucus there. The main caucus immediately readmitted the resolution, and sent three or four committees in succession to the resolute members, but they stayed out fully an hour. Finally, they all marched back, and, after presenting the names of candidates, a ballot was taken, resulting in the nomination of Mr. Fairbanks by a vote of 60 to 25 for the other three, divided as follows: McKee, 11; Wallace, 6; Taylor, 8; Frank B. Posey, 3; General Harrison, 1; Judge John H. Baker, 1. A committee was sent out for Mr. Fairbanks, and he addressed the caucus.

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## ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

Bills Introduced in the Senate—Appropriation to Pay Employees Passed.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—In the senate this morning bills were passed appropriating \$50,000 for the payment of the employees and \$15,000 for the expenses of the fortieth general assembly. Bills were introduced by Hunt, appropriating \$10,000 for expenses of the State Normal school. By Leeper, for the printing and distribution of ballots. By Sawyer, regulating voluntary assignments. The senate then adjourned.

## William H. Sinclair.

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 13.—President William H. Sinclair, of the Galveston (Texas) Street Railway Company, was found dead on the floor of his room at the Bowers hotel at 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He had died alone, probably three hours before. Colonel Sinclair was in Rochester looking after the interests of New York and Brooklyn capitalists in a proposed suburban railroad deal, in which Colonel Joseph T. and George Wilson, of Rochester, are at the head. He had been here since Friday. Yesterday morning he was feeling in a cheerful mood and chatted pleasantly with the other railroad men. He went to his room after dinner and was not seen again alive. His friends called at his room at 8 o'clock and did not receive any response to their summons. They called a bell boy, who placed a ladder to the transom and looked into the room. The lad saw Sinclair lying face downward on the floor. He crawled through the transom and unlocked the door. It was found that Sinclair had been writing letters, but there was nothing to indicate that he had committed suicide, as was at first suspected. Sinclair served throughout the war in the 7th Michigan. He leaves three sons, one of whom is at Ann Arbor.

## Delirious Patient's Leap to Death.

Boston, Jan. 13.—Colin Campbell, 32 years of age, confined as a delirious tremor patient in the hospital at Deer Island penitentiary, sought freedom at 2 o'clock yesterday morning. He found it in the ice-cold waters of Shirley cut. Campbell had been closely watched by his nurse, but was resting calmly in the early morning hours, when the nurse went to the medicine closet. He was gone only a few minutes, when he returned to the bed where Campbell had been lying, but he was not there. A glance at the window showed the route of the delirious man. He had jumped bodily through the aperture, taking the ash with him. Immediately the alarm was given, but all efforts to find Campbell were vain. He plunged into the cold waters of Shirley cut, and was swept to death out in Massachusetts Bay.

## Strange Will of a Mother.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 13.—Baron von Muegg, whose mother left him \$700,000 worth of property on the peculiar condition that before coming into possession of his inheritance he must serve at least ten years on some police force, has resigned his position with a local special police concern. The baron has reached the conclusion that he can fulfill the requirements of his mother's will in a manner much more satisfactory to himself than if doing duty as special policeman. He has, therefore, made application through President-elect McKinley for a position in the United States secret service.

## Deadline in Oregon.

Salem, Ore., Jan. 13.—The deadline on the speakership continues. It is reported that the Populists demand certain concessions in the matter of legislation in return for coming in to form a quorum. There are no new developments in the senatorial contest beyond the claim of the Mitchell men that they have the signatures of more than a majority of the caucus.

## Germany to Participate in Paris Exposition.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—In the Budget a committee of the Reichstag voted an initial grant of 50,000 marks for Germany's participation in the Paris exposition in 1900. The minister of the interior declared the total to be asked for for this purpose would not exceed 5,000,000 marks.

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Boston, Jan. 13.—The steamer Howard for Baltimore, which sailed yesterday returned today with the body of Captain John E. Taylor, who shot himself at midnight. His vessel was recently in a collision in which two sailors were drowned.

## W. H. Harper a Candidate.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—Representative W. H. Harper of Chicago, is a candidate for United States senator. The announcement was officially made by James P. Hill of Chicago today. The fact that a short time before the announcement Hill who is a close personal friend of Tanner was seen around the governor's office gives rise to gossip that the governor has been consulted about Harper's candidacy.

## Cantrell Resigns.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—The resignation of W. S. Cantrell, chairman, and Thomas Gahan, members of the railroad and warehouse commission, was placed in hands of Governor Tanner to take effect at his pleasure.

## CHURCHES SEEK MCKINLEY.

Five Washington Congregations Offer Him a Hearting Courtesy.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Major McKinley has not yet decided what church he will attend in Washington.

Soon after his election five of the most prominent Methodist congregations sent him letters offering the courtesies of their churches during his residence in the capital. The president elect has responded to these invitations with cordial letters, which are so much alike that no one can say that he has shown a preference for any particular church.

He has thanked the congregations for their courtesy, but intimates that he will make no definite arrangements until after his inauguration.

The Foundry church of which Rev. O. A. Brown is pastor; the Metropolitan of which Rev. Hugh Johnson is pastor; the Union of which Rev. Alex. Holsafer is pastor; the Fifteenth street church of which Rev. W. W. Van Arsdale is pastor, and Trinity church of which Rev. Gustavus W. Hobbs is pastor, are the churches which have invited Major McKinley and his family to worship with them.

## THE TARIFF BILL.

The Work of Drafting the Measure Begins To-day.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The Republican members of the ways and means committee began their work of framing the tariff bill to-day, when they will hold a meeting the first of a long series, which will continue until the bill has been finished. Chairman Dingler says that there will be no sub-committee appointed and that each schedule will be discussed by all of the members. The minority members of the committee, according to the usual custom, will take no part in the work until the bill is ready to be reported to the house.

## Three Friends Landed Her Cargo.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 13.—The alleged failure of the Three Friends to land the expedition carried from Fernandina on Dec. 14, has been a bitter pill for some of the men of the noted filibuster to swallow, and yesterday one of the vessel's officers told the following story:

"There is no truth in the published reports that the Three Friends expedition was a failure, and that the men and arms were landed on No Name Key by the steamer, after an unsuccessful attempt to land on the coast of Cuba. The men that were taken from No Name Key were a lot of men who went to that key from Key West. The Three Friends did not go around the western end of Cuba as reported, but, instead, stood far out to the eastward, after leaving Fernandina. We were no fools, and knew that the United States warships at Key West would be on the look out for us. We ran around the Bahamas, and came up on the southern coast of Cuba, and landed the cargo and most of the men near the mouth of the San Juan river, on the night of Dec. 30. The story, as published, was fixed up by the newspaper men who went with us. After landing the expedition, we sailed back around the eastern end of the island of Cuba, and did not see any of the Spanish vessels.

"We ran up to Biscayne and then

down the Florida coast, putting off the extra members of the crew on No Name Key, and from there went to Key West. It was expected we would coal up at Key West and return to the key, where more men were left and where a large quantity of arms and ammunition had been sent from Key West. Our plans were spoiled by the notoriety given the trip by the newspaper men, and a deputy collector of customs was placed on board the vessel, and we were forced to return to Jacksonville.

"The landing on the coast of Cuba was effected without incident. The Cubans had been notified of the time and place of landing and were there to receive the cargo. There was not the slightest mishap, and the entire cargo was landed in safety. Three newspaper men left the boat with the expedition and they gave their reports of the voyage to the one who remained on board, who fled them at Key West, and this explains this publication simultaneously. There is one thing of which you may be sure, and that is this: If the so called Three Friends expedition was taken off, No Name Key and landed in Cuba by another vessel, it means that another large expedition has been landed, and that the Cubans are now well supplied with arms."

Gov. J. D. Palma, of Sanford, father of Ralph Palma, the New York correspondent, said last night that he had heard nothing from Ralph, but was satisfied he was all right.

## WEYLER'S CANNON CAPTURED.

Spanish Garrison of Seven Hundred Men Put to Flight in Havana Province.

Key West, Fla., Jan. 13.—Reports from Havana indicate an invasion of Havana province soon. The insurgents are near Havana, and large parties are seen daily near the suburbs, five to ten miles from the capital. Calvarious, less than ten miles from the city, was sacked Saturday, the insurgents driving out the Spanish garrison of 700 men and then burning nearly half the place. They seized a large amount of supplies, destroying all they could not carry off.

Two large field pieces that they could not take with them, not having horses, were spiked and rendered useless to the Spanish. These two guns had just been received by Weyler, and one had been sent there last week. By the irony of fate one bore Weyler's name, and was inscribed, "To aid Weyler's glorious deeds." The retiring Cubans defaced the inscription, and placed a placard on it reading "Butchers only need cleavers."

General Weyler is greatly worried over the attacks made by the insurgent bands so near the capital, and the Havana papers have the strictest orders not to mention anything of the kind under the severest penalty. It is common news in Havana and the people, while outwardly loyal to Weyler, are in reality hiding their true feelings and get Camp's back. Weyler's campaign is made the jest of the officers in private, and his entire army is disloyal to him, on account of his neglect of it. Two hundred wounded soldiers came into Havana Friday and Saturday. All information regarding them was refused and they were hastily sent to the hospitals.

Advices received here yesterday bring further confirmation of the death of Antonio Maceo. A gentleman in Havana, who was an intimate friend of the late insurgent leader, has received a letter and a package from one of the insurgents of the island. The package contained Maceo's carbine, which in case of his death, he desired to be sent to the friend he referred to. It is a Colt carbine, and its number is 11,129. The letter also furnished additional proof of the great insurgent leader's death.

## The Monetary Conference.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 13.—The national monetary conference reassembled this morning. Plans for the improvement of the financial system were outlined under the five minute rule. These plans proved so numerous that it was decided to refer all resolutions to a committee without reading.

Pending the report of the committee on resolutions the convention was entertained with five minute speeches.

The committee on resolutions sent word they would not be ready to report till afternoon. The convention then adjourned till 2:30.

## By Hanging.

Rockford, Ill., Jan. 13.—Charles Peterson, one of the oldest and best known merchants on the East Side, was found hanging to a raft in the wood shed at his home yesterday morning. He bought the rope in the afternoon and made all arrangements for self-destruction. He left \$4000 insurance.

## IN CONGRESS.

The Senate Goes Into Executive Committee to Reconsider a Vote on Treaties.

## GENERAL ARBITRATION MAY HANG ON.

Judge Crouch of Fort Scott, Kan., Takes His Own Life After Failure to Become Reconciled to a Young Wife.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The doors were closed immediately after the session of the senate opened on Sherman's motion to go into executive session.

In the executive session the senate took up the motion of Sherman made at the request of Olney to reconsider the vote by which the extradition treaties between this country and Argentina and the Orange free state were amended. The motion was debated at length. The amendment struck out the clause in the treaties granting authority to foreign governments to take by force from this country persons who escaped to this country charged with certain offenses.

Secretary Olney's wishes were negatived as the senate refused to reconsider its former action in amending the treaties. The treaties as amended by the senate will stand.

The senate in executive session considered the nomination of D. R. Francis to be secretary of the interior but there was no action. Vest of Missouri, was the principal opponent to confirmation. Part of Vest's objection is based on a letter which Francis wrote during the recent campaign supporting the Indianapolis ticket and opposing the Chicago ticket. It is believed, however, that Francis will be confirmed without difficulty.

On reconvening in open session the senate agreed to a final vote on the free homestead bill at 4 p. m. tomorrow.

## Bacon of Georgia, spoke in favor of the Mills resolution for the recognition of Cuban independence.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The senate committee on foreign relations considered the general arbitration treaty with Great Britain but took no action. The committee found the subject a large one and it was announced at the close of the meeting that the treaty would probably remain in the committee for some time owing to the necessity of the members themselves undertaking careful inquiry into all details. The meeting served to develop the fact that the committee is a unit in favor of the general principle of arbitration between nations but it is evident each individual is likely to have his own ideas as to how this could be attained. The only question discussed was the general scope of the treaty. The committee decided to recommend that the senate make the treaty public but did not take up the question of having it considered in open session.

## Judge Crouch Takes His Life.

Fort Scott, Kan., Jan. 13.—John H. Crouch, late Populist candidate for judge of the court of appeals, suicided this morning with morphine. He returned last night from Springfield, Mo., after an unsuccessful effort at reconciliation with his young wife who left him a year ago.

## Butter, Eggs and Poultry Men.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—The butter, eggs and poultry shippers from eleven states met as representatives of the National Association of Cattle and Poultry shippers in secret session today. This is the prelude to a determined fight which will be made on the railroad rating with Central Freight association. The special complaints of the association is that the association grants a railroad rating to the western shippers of dairy products but does not extend the same courtesy to the eastern.

## Senatorial Caucus To-morrow Night.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—The representatives of the various candidates for United States senator just ended a caucus. They recommended that the Republican legislators hold the senatorial caucus tomorrow night. This caucus will decide the senatorial fight.

## Savings Bank Falls.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 13.—The Seattle Savings bank closed its doors owing to the heavy withdrawals of county funds by the newly installed officers. Liabilities are \$70,000; assets, \$104,000. The bank will pay in full.

## Modestly Inaugurated.

Olympia, Wash., Jan. 13.—Governor-elect John R. Rogers was inaugurated this afternoon. He declined to permit any inaugural procession and walked from his boarding house to the capitol.

## BROKE THROUGH THE ICE.

Four Children Drowned in a Pond on Kew-Forest Avenue, St. Louis.

St. Louis, Jan. 13.—While a number of school children were skating on Dawson's pond yesterday afternoon, four of the party fell through the ice, and were drowned in about 8 feet of water. The pond is located in the northwestern part of the city. It lies between Kew-Forest and Margaretta avenues, Ashland place and Scanlan avenue. Other children who attempted to rescue their unfortunate companions narrowly escaped a similar fate. Some of them went under but rescuers dragged them out. The victims who were drowned were George and Sadie Evelyn Matthews, aged respectively 8 and 14 years, brother and sister, and children of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Matthews, of 4015 Ashland place; and Amanda Mary and Arthur James Arnold, aged respectively 15 and 18 years, sister and brother, and children of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Arnold, of 4314 Farlin avenue. Mr. Matthews is foreman at the plant of the Majestic Manufacturing company at 2015 Morgan street, and Mr. Arnold is a journeyman carpenter. The residences of both families are in the immediate vicinity of the pond. All the children who were in the party when the terrible accident occurred had attended the Ashland school, at the corner of Newstead and Sacramento avenues. The cold spell had frozen the pond entirely over, and for several days some of the children had been skating on the ice near the shore. Yesterday they decided that it was safe everywhere for skating purposes. Besides the drowned children, this party comprised Estella Matthews, aged 10 years, another daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthews; John Gleason, aged 15 years, of 4013 Newstead avenue; Emanuel Cutler, who resides on Cornelia avenue; Fred Braggins, of Scanlan place, and John Kline, of 4455 Kew-Forest avenue, whose ages range from 10 to 14 years.

## Charges Against Missouri Tigers.

Columbia, Mo., Jan. 13.—The Missouri university foot ball team is again in trouble. The team arrived home several days ago from their tour through Texas and Old Mexico. In making the tour they disobeyed the instructions of the faculty regarding the length of their stay and confidently expected severe discipline for their conduct. There was even talk of expulsion, but the faculty took no action, and it began to look as if they had decided to let the matter drop. The Tigers were again breathing easily when the Texas State university was heard from. The Texas university team, which was defeated by the Tigers in their southern tour by a score of 19 to 9, claim that their defeat was largely due to the fact that several professionals played on the Missouri team. J. E. Hill, editor of the "Albion," the organ of the Texas university, came out with a terrific rant on the Missouri team, charging that two of the men who played in Texas were hired for the purpose, and requesting the Missouri university faculty to investigate. This the faculty decided to do, and meetings have been held for the purpose. The members will not yet make a statement, but it is evident that they consider the charge a very serious matter.

## Interchangeable Mileage Problem.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—The central passenger committee is sailing but few interchangeable mileage tickets. The roads have not as yet sold enough of the tickets to come anywhere near paying for the clerical work entailed by the work of putting them on sale. The western roads have in a measure abandoned the idea of putting out any interchangeable tickets at all. They have been watching the experiment of their eastern connections with great interest, and have about reached the conclusion that the public in general is not over and above anxious for the sale of the tickets, and they will not place them on sale until there is a very much increased demand made upon the eastern lines. Some of the western lines that were strong advocates of the proposition to place the tickets on sale have turned squarely around, and now say that they will not have anything to do with the sale of interchangeable tickets.

## Told Where Body Could be Found.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 13.—Following the directions given by Charles Taylor, colored, who confessed that he outraged and murdered a colored girl, Sepp, and buried the body, officers today found the remains covered with underbrush.

## Lumber Company Falls.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—The Illinois and Wisconsin Lumber company failed today. Assets really timber lands and other property in Wisconsin, valued at \$100,000. The liabilities are \$80,000.

## Successor to Vilas.

Madison, Wis., Jan. 13.—The caucus to name the successor to Senator Vilas in the United States senate will be held this evening. There is no question that John C. Spooner will be the nominee.

There are 6000 members of the Peoria public library. The building has room for 200,000 volumes.

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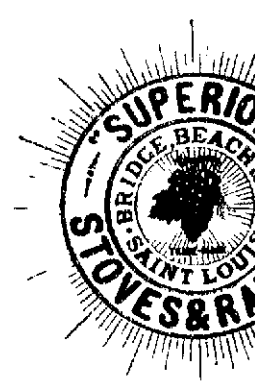
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## LOCAL NEWS.

Thursday will be a good day for rabbit hunting.

Irwin's rock balsam is a positive cure for coughs and colds.

Hugh Quinlan, of Illinois, dropped dead from heart failure, aged 70.

Little Diana cigar: business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50. L. Chodas News House.—14-dtf

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. Mech 25-dtf

The old reliable K & W cigars are made by John Weigand. Mech 25-dtf.

Cubano, the leading five-cent cigar, sold only at Irwin's drug store.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Oct 21-tf

Select a Haines or Reed & Son's piano at the C. B. Prescott music house. The prices are way down and the terms will suit you.

Dr. C. U. Smith, dentist, has removed from the Arcade to the Pasfield building, 224 North Main street.—4-dtf

John Downing, a forger, who has been an inmate of the county jail at Taylorville for three months, went crazy yesterday. He became very violent. It is probable that he will be sent to Jacksonville for treatment.

Some of the street cars last night after the opera were a long time getting the people home, but by the exercise of patience and perseverance the feat was accomplished. The cars were run in pairs. Superintendent Ferguson in person got the Edward street car out to the end.

Gentlemen's soiled and faded overcoats or suit of clothes dyed, cleaned, pressed and repaired. Take your clothes to first-class dyers and cleaners—to Miller's Steam Dye House, 145 North Main street.

We have reduced the price of coke to \$4 per ton crushed to size suitable for hard coal base burners and to \$3.50 per ton for uncashed, delivered to any part of the city. In lots of less than one-half ton 10c per bushel will be charged. One ton of coke will burn 25 per cent longer than one ton of hard coal—hence it can be used at half the expense. Its use in furnaces does away with the annoyance of gas and smoke attendant on the use of soft coal. Our coke is made from Pennsylvania coal. Decatur Gas Light and Coke Co., telephone 127 or 51.—8-42w

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## ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING.

The Congregationalists Make a Good Showing—Membership 246.

The annual meeting of the First Congregational church membership was held last night, when very satisfactory reports were submitted. The attendance was large. After hearing the reports these officers were elected:

Church Clerk—Charles Hubbard.  
Superintendent of Sunday Schools—E. P. Irving.

Assistant—Miss Bear.  
Trustees—Clarence Wait, W. R. Buckmaster.

Treasurer—C. E. Dawson, re-elected.  
Treasurer of the Benevolent Fund—George Butties.

Deacons—J. H. Bevans and David Con-  
long.

Superintendent of the May Flower Mission Sunday School—Samuel Schminck.  
Secretary of the Church Sunday School—Bert Colby.

Treasurer—Bro. Brockway.  
Organist—Edna Childs.

Reports.

The reports showed that the Mayflower Mission on West King street sustained by the church has always prospered and only missed having Sunday school one day last year. The church has a present membership of two hundred and forty-six. There was a gain of sixteen last year, a loss of eleven and a net gain of five. The clerk, T. L. Evans read the minutes of the last annual meeting which were approved. The reports were at once taken up. The first was the report of the Christian Endeavor society read by Miss Lindsay. They have had two elections of officers in the past year and now have a membership of sixty, only two of whom are associate members. By contributions and socials their receipts last year were \$96. Five special meetings were held and some charity work done. The society gave to the Anna B. Millikin Home and to St. Mary's hospital. Flowers and books. They have given five socials and close the year after doing much good work. The Sunday school report showed that 6084 scholars attended Sunday school last year and that the average attendance was one hundred and seventeen each Sunday. The attendance was a trifle in advance of this last year.

The total receipts for the year were approximately \$3000 and the benevolence fund was \$400. The total receipt were sufficient to meet the running expenses of the church and have a small amount left to apply on some church indebtedness. The ladies and society, held during the year about forty meetings and realized from different sources \$350.

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The legitimate drama seems to be again in the ascendancy. Mr. Lewis Morrison has made himself famous in this field, and is undoubtedly the foremost man now that the master, Edwin Booth, has gone. His performance of the exacting role of Richelieu is described as being the very best rendition of this part known to the modern stage. Mr. Morrison has received the highest commendation from the press of the country for his masterly rendition of the character and our citizens will have an opportunity to judge of this great actor's work on next Thursday night when he will produce Richelieu at the Grand opera house, for the first time in this city.

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## WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Rain or snow to  
night and Thursday; Colder Thursday  
afternoon; high easterly winds.

It has not yet been definitely learned  
whether Cleveland will recognize the bol-  
ligerency of those who are in rebellion  
against the throne but in this country.

On Monday the electoral vote of New  
Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Ken-  
tucky were cast for a Republican candi-  
date for president, which is an assurance  
that all is not vanity and vexation of  
spirit.

The roll of states in which the electoral  
vote was cast for Bryan does not argue  
that voters cast for him were cast con-  
scientiously in the interest of good gov-  
ernment and for the prosperity of the  
country.

The probabilities are that the Republi-  
can caucus on choice for United States  
senator will be held Thursday evening at  
which time if the caucus agrees on a man  
the senatorial question will be settled as  
the Republicans have a large majority on  
joint ballot.

The Cubans have captured and spiked  
some heavy cannon recently sent to Gen-  
eral Weyler as a compliment. If they  
could succeed in spiking Weyler's mouth  
it would result in limiting the number  
of Spanish victories more effectually than  
spiking fifty cannon would.

As a whole, Gov. Tanner's message was  
plain, comprehensive and strong. Besides  
that it touched upon some practical  
things in political campaigns not often  
referred to in the scope of such documents.  
Among the most prominent of these pic-  
tures in his reference to the detestable and  
dangerous demagogue who in recent  
years have infested our politics. The  
Governor's description of this class of  
mountebanks is calculated to assemble  
those we know in our own communities  
before our vision. The governor says:

It is now, I think, also settled, that the  
American people are in favor of the com-  
plete protection of private property and  
the firm maintenance of law and order.  
The teaching of a class of politicians,  
lately arisen, seem to imply that free  
popular government favors a species of  
communism. While clamorous for popu-  
lar rule and alleging great devotion to  
free institutions, there is in all their  
utterances an unexpressed assumption that  
the successful members of society are in  
part of the people. Such men do not  
greatly care for the rights of what they  
are pleased to term the "common people."  
This phrase they do not in terms define,  
but from their language the meaning  
may be deduced that those who have done  
nothing, those who have nothing, and  
those who do not expect to have anything,  
through the exertions of either their labors  
or talent, are the common people, while  
all others are ranked among favored class-  
es—"plutocrats." When prospective dis-  
appointment in some way is held up as a  
political lure to the destitute, the ignorant,  
and the dissatisfied. A political "Cave  
of Adullam," like that of old, is thus  
opened by these men, where everyone  
who is in distress and everyone who is in  
doubt and everyone who is discontented  
may gather themselves together, to the  
end that some ardemagogue may be-  
come a captain over them.

## Protection Will Be Permanent.

The American Economist: Six years  
ago, when the McKinley bill was passed,  
a doubt of the value of protection was  
created in the minds of the people by the  
free traders, who made no end of prom-  
ises. The days of free trade were far in  
the past, and the people had forgotten  
them. In the fight for the continuance  
of the McKinley law the battle had to be  
waged at two points. The policy of pro-  
tection as a general principle had to be  
battled for and the specific provisions of  
the McKinley bill had to be defended.  
Today the doubt of the wisdom of protec-  
tion as a general principle has practically  
vanished. Experience has banished it  
from the minds of the people. The theo-  
rists and bare-brained philosophers are  
once more severely alone in their adhe-  
rence to the fallacy of free trade. The new  
law to which President McKinley will  
sign his name will not have to do battle  
for the cause of protection, but only for  
itself as a St. exemplar of the American  
system. It has only half the battle which  
the McKinley bill had, and it will have  
nearly double the time in which to fight  
it before the next presidential election.  
In six years the McKinley bill, because of  
the prosperity of the country during its  
existence, and still more because of the  
industrial disaster which has followed its  
repeal, has won the double battle. In the  
three years which the new law will in  
all probability have in which to fight its  
battle there is no doubt but that it will  
gloriously and that the country will  
turn to a long period of enjoyment  
and prosperity. The pro-  
tection we desire to repeat the evil  
of the past four years. Boy  
will, with truth, then be

able to say, "The tariff is not an issue."  
It will not be an issue, because it will  
have been settled in a proper manner for  
the protection of all American interests.

## The Beet Sugar Industry

George B. Curtis in his great tariff  
work entitled "Protection and Pros-  
perity," shows how under a system of pro-  
tection the beet sugar industry has been  
built up in Europe. He says:  
"Of the many industries grown up in  
France, under protection, no better ex-  
ample can be taken than the creation and  
promotion of the sugar industry from  
beets. The establishment was due largely  
to the efforts of the first Napoleon. He  
gave encouragement to chemists, agri-  
culturalists and manufacturers. In 1812  
Napoleon, by decree, established schools  
and factories for the extraction of the  
sugar from the beet. He ordered the cul-  
tivation of 100,000 acres, which it was  
estimated would produce 37,000 tons of  
sugar, at that time sufficient for the wants  
of France. It was also exempted from  
every tax for four years. Soon after-  
wards the duty on foreign sugar was raised.  
From 1822 to 1825, 100 factories pro-  
duced 5000 tons annually. In 1838 a duty  
of 1.6 cents per pound was imposed on  
beet sugar, and in 1840 it was increased  
to 2.6 cents. In 1848 began an annual  
increase for five years, and in 1848 the  
duty was equalized with that on Colonial  
sugar. From 1822 the increase in pro-  
duction of sugar was rapid. In 1828 the  
production was 4401 tons; in 1838, 43,  
000; in 1858, 150,000 tons; in 1876, 482,  
250; and in 1894, 1,200,000 tons. Not  
only vast quantities are exported but the  
home consumption is very great. It rose  
from 55,000 tons in 1825 to 200,000 in  
1862, and 401,000 in 1887, or from four  
pounds to twenty-three pounds per inhabit-  
ant between the dates given. There is  
no doubt that France would have been  
unable to meet, so promptly the conse-  
quences of her last war unaided by her  
agricultural wealth due to the beet root  
factories of the north and the vineyards  
of the south. A similar policy as adopted  
in Russia, Germany, Hungary, Belgium  
and Holland, namely, protection to beet  
root sugar and with similar results. In  
1830 there were no beet root factories in  
Europe outside of France. In 1876 the  
tons produced were as follows:

Germany.....	346,045
Russia.....	345,000
Hungary.....	163,922
Belgium.....	79,798
Holland.....	30,000
France.....	102,259
Total.....	1,317,925

The production of sugar from the beet  
is only one of the benefits arising from  
the industry itself. It benefits every other  
branch of agriculture either directly or  
indirectly. It draws the surplus labor  
from other channels.

## ASSAULT AT OREANA.

Miss Craven Struck by Her Brother,  
Waiter.

There was a wild story on the streets  
today to the effect that Walter Craven of  
Decatur, had gone to Oreana in an inter-  
ested condition and had attempted to  
kill his sister. The facts seem to be that  
Craven engaged in a quarrel with his sister  
at Oreana. It ended in the young  
man striking Miss Craven on the back of  
the neck with a club, causing her to fall  
through a plate glass window. The cause  
of the quarrel is unknown. Miss Craven  
came to Decatur today to report the facts  
to the authorities. She had intended go-  
ing to Milwaukee where she has relatives  
and friends. Walter is a member of the  
Decatur family in which there were sev-  
eral deaths recently due to diphtheria.

## Refered to Lower the Rate.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13.—The state  
board of railroad and warehouse commis-  
sioners refused to grant the petition of  
the Illinois state grange and patrons of  
husbandry and southern Illinois shippers  
for a reduction of railroad passenger  
rates in Illinois from three cents a mile  
to two.

## MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 13, 1897.  
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to M. Z. Taylor,  
dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with cor-  
respondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis  
and St. Louis for the following market quotat-  
ions:

Week-	Open-	High-	Low-	Clos-
ing.	ing.	est.	est.	ing.
Wheat-				77
January.....	81 1/2	81 3/4	79 3/4	79 3/4
May.....	76 1/2	76 3/4	75 3/4	75 3/4
July.....				
January.....	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/4	24 1/4
May.....	23 1/2	23 3/4	23 1/4	23 1/4
July.....				
January.....	18 1/2	18 3/4	18 1/4	18 1/4
May.....				
July.....				
January.....	7 1/2	7 3/4	7 1/4	7 1/4
May.....				
July.....				
January.....	4 1/2	4 3/4	4 1/4	4 1/4
May.....				
July.....				

TO-DAY'S PROSPECTS—CASH COTS.  
Wheat—18. Estimated, 17. Year ago, 107.  
Corn—14. Estimated, 13. Year ago, 403.  
Oats—14. Estimated, 13. Year ago, 162.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.  
Wheat, 10; Corn, 20; Oats, 120.  
Hog receipts 45,000; estimated, 40,000. Mar-  
ket slow, weak, 10c lower.

Light, 33.50; 32.50. Mixed, 33.50; 32.50.  
Heavy 33.50; 32.50. Rough 33.50; 32.50.  
Estimated for to-morrow, 45,000.  
Cattle receipts, 17,000; market 10c lower.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.  
St. Louis, Jan. 13.—Wheat, cash, 85 1/2c; May,  
85 1/2c; Corn, cash, 23 1/2c; May, 23 1/2c; Oats,  
cash, 16 1/2c; May, 16 1/2c.

NEW YORK MARKET.  
New York, Jan. 13.—Wheat, May, 86 1/2c;  
Corn, May, 30 1/2c; Oats, 22 1/2c.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Butter, steady, cream-  
ery, 12 1/2c; Eggs, steady, 12 1/2c.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.  
Peoria, Jan. 13.—Corn, Arm. No. 2 white,  
10c; Oats, Arm. No. 2 white, 10 1/2c; Rye,  
nominal.

## THE RICHARDSON CASE.

How the Missing Man Was Picked Up at  
Blue Mound.

Springfield Journal: William Rich-  
ardson, who suddenly disappeared from  
the farm of John Prater in the vicinity  
of Pawnee on the morning of Nov. 1, has  
turned up alive. Yesterday morning  
Sheriff Baxter received the following tele-  
gram from M. S. Funderburk, city mar-  
shal of Blue Mound, Mason county:

"William Richardson is here and well."  
Richardson was taken in charge by City  
Marshal Funderburk yesterday morning.  
He had walked to Blue Mound from De-  
catur, about ten miles north. He had in  
his possession a box of cigars, a hatchet,  
a saw and a clock. He talked in an inco-  
herent manner and the city marshal lock-  
ed him up as a demented person. Several  
villagers called at the prison and identi-  
fied him as Richardson, the man who had  
been sought for the past two months.

Richardson was employed on a farm  
owned by James Brainerd of this city, and  
rented to John Prater. On the morning  
of Nov. 1 when the occupants of the  
household awoke, Richardson was miss-  
ing. About 200 yards from the house his  
trunk was found. This was the only  
thing Richardson left behind. When the  
matter was reported to Sheriff Baxter, he  
took a great interest in the man's disap-  
pearance and for several days he and De-  
puty Marks worked on the case. They  
could find no trace of his whereabouts.

There were various stories about as to  
the cause of the man's disappearance. It  
was known that he had come into an in-  
heritance of \$1200 several months before,  
which led many to suspect the man had  
been the victim of foul play. Late yester-  
day afternoon Sheriff Baxter received a  
telephone message from Mr. Funderburk  
stating that Richardson had related a  
part of his experience since his disap-  
pearance.

Richardson said he had visited a for-  
tune teller and she told him several girls  
were in love with him because he had  
money. She also told him that several  
men who claimed to be his friends were  
trying to deprive him of his money. This  
seemed to work on his mind so he took  
his money and left the house of Mr. Prater.  
After leaving, he first wandered to  
a point on the Illinois river, where he  
took up his abode for several days with a  
fisherman. From there he went to a point  
on the Mississippi river near Hannibal,  
Mo., and purchased a river boat, paying  
\$200 for it. He remained there until  
Sunday night when he boarded a Wabash  
train at East Hannibal, Ill., and went to  
Decatur.

He had a few cents left and paid for a  
room at a lodging house. He had his  
cigars, clock, hatchet and saw with him.  
The man in charge of the hotel would not  
let him take the articles to his room.  
This did not please Richardson so he took  
them under his arm and left the hotel.  
He started south on the Wabash tracks  
and finally landed at Blue Mound yester-  
day morning.

Mr. Funderburk stated that he had no-  
tified Richardson's uncle, Nick Warner,  
who lives at Niantic, and that he would  
take him to his home. Mr. Funderburk  
says that at times Richardson is a raving  
maniac and expresses the belief that he  
will have to be sent to an asylum.

## The Ideal Panacea.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says:  
"I regard Dr. King's New Discovery  
as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs,  
Colds and Lung Complaints, having used  
it in my family for the last five years, to  
the exclusion of physician's prescrip-  
tions or other preparations."  
Rev. John Burgess, Keokuk, Iowa,  
writes: "I have been a Minister of the  
Methodist Episcopal church for 50 years  
or more, and have never found anything  
so beneficial, or that gave me such  
speedy relief as Dr. King's New Discovery."  
Try this Ideal Cough Remedy now.  
At West's drug store.

## Fire! Fire! Fire!

At the Lion store. Over \$10,000 worth  
of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes,  
ladies' and gents' furnishings, capes and  
jackets to be given away to the public at  
their own price. Sale will start Satur-  
day morning. Lion Store, corner Water  
and Eldorado street, Decatur, Ill.—8-488

## Poor Farm News.

James McCormick was taken to the  
poor farm today. He is the old gentle-  
man who fell and broke his leg last night.  
Steward Burley now has 53 charges at  
the farm. He received three children to-  
day, each by the same mother, but each  
having a different father.

The Church of God revival is still in  
progress with increasing interest. The  
attendance has been good and the meet-  
ing is enjoyed by all who attend. The  
preaching and singing and all the other  
exercises are spiritual and inspiring. An  
earnest effort will be put forth to benefit  
all who will come.

It is probable that many of the couples  
who were identified with the Fortnightly  
club last winter, will give a number of  
dances at Guards' Armory in the near fu-  
ture. Arrangements will be made for at  
least four parties.

## Take No Substitute.

Gail Borden  
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CONDENSED MILK  
Has always stood FIRST in the estima-  
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just as good. Best Instant Food.

## OUR ART GOODS DEPARTMENT...

Is steadily growing in favor. Every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and  
FRIDAY from 9 to 11 a. m. and from 2 to 4 p. m., we will give instruc-  
tions in Art Needlework absolutely FREE OF CHARGE. "THE BIG  
STORE" again demonstrates its desire to please its patrons.

...Some Great Offers in This Class of Goods...



Embroidery Hoops, each..... 25c  
Linen Doyleies for center pieces, worth 40c, each..... 25c  
Remnants of Doyleies, each..... 10c  
Cotton Pillow Cord in fancy colors, per yard..... 10c  
Lace Nets for dresses (4 pieces)..... 10c

Another big purchase of those fancy Lamp  
Shades made of imported crepe paper, with  
tinted edges, decorated with Morning Glo-  
ries, Spotted Lillies, Violets, Poppies and  
Iris. A \$2.50 Shade for.....

98c

## ...Curtains and Upholstery Goods...

Prices upset and original values forgotten in our efforts to clear this stock before February 1, 1897, the date  
of our semi-annual inventory.

One lot of Lace Curtains, containing 10 different styles, two to six pairs of each style. Worth from \$1.49  
\$1.75 up to \$2.50 all at one low price..... \$1.49  
20 pairs Irish Point Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long and 50 inches wide. Worth \$5.00 pair,  
for..... \$3.50

## ALL OF OUR DRAPERY GOODS MIGHTILY REDUCED.

12 1/2c Silkoline, yard..... 7 1/2c  
100 yards Silk Tapestry, in five different colors. Sold at \$2.50. Reduced just one-half..... \$1.25



## TWO LEADERS

In that Great Clearance Sale of Ladies' and Misses' Winter  
CAPES AND JACKETS.

175 Ladies' and Misses' Coats, plain and fancy trimmed. Made up by first-  
class workmen. A very stylish garment which sold well for \$16.50. All go  
at one price..... \$9.98

200 Ladies' and Misses' Cloth Jackets, some tight-fitting, others Franklin front  
and plaited back. New sleeves and collar. Black, Navy and fancy mix-  
tures. Would be cheap at \$12.00. All go at one price..... \$5.98

## Domestics

One of those Special sales in which every economical housewife is always  
interested. SUCH VALUE-GIVING ONLY OCCURS AT "THE BIG  
STORE."

Heavy Outing Flannel, in neat light colors and fancy stripes, per yard..... 3c  
Best quality American Indigo Blue Print Calico, per yd..... 3 1/2c  
Black and White, Turkey Red and Black Prints; the 7c kind SPECIAL..... 3 1/2c  
Ready-Made Sheets, 31x90 inches; others sell them at 6c..... 4 1/2c is enough for us  
60-inch Turkey Red Table Damask; cheap at 30c yard SPECIAL..... 15c

## LINN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

THE BIG STORE WATER, MAIN &  
STATE STREETS.



We Sell and Deliver Bottled Beer to  
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Telephone 84.

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—AND—  
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With the inauguration of new train schedules,  
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the South which is not equaled either in time or  
comfort by any other line.

The day train, which arrives at Evansville at  
6:15 in the evening, makes direct connection  
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Nashville, Memphis, Montgomery and New  
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Dye House,

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Clean or Dye Every De-  
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The best appliances and a thorough knowl-  
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184 South State Street, BACK OF POW-  
ERS' GRAND OPERA HOUSE, Decatur, Ill.  
July 27-96

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera  
House Block, ground floor.  
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## YOU—

Will yet need Heavy Clothing.  
The coldest part of the Winter  
season is still to come. You  
cannot afford to freeze when  
you can buy clothing at such  
remarkably low prices as we  
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Our prices are as low as the  
Lowest. We do not ask you to  
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245-249 NORTH WATER ST.

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Will show so  
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Fresh Codfish, Fresh  
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We have on sale (C  
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# FOR THURSDAY..

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### Grocery House and Market

Will show some choice goods for your dinner Thursday morning, such as.....

Fresh Codfish, Fresh Flounder, Black Bass, Red Snapper, Boiled Lobster, Live Lobster, (all ocean products). In addition we will have Fresh Trout and White Fish caught in Lake Michigan. Elegant California Celery, Lettuce, Radishes, Etc. Our Market is supplied at all times with the choicest Meats that money can buy.

### ...Grocery Department...

We have on sale (Thursday only) 100 cases Genuine Sugar Corn at the unapproachable price of 55c dozen (full weight). We also offer you standard size Pine Apple at 15c per can, \$1.50 per dozen.

### OUR "MAUD S" FLOUR

made from the very best northern hard wheat grown on timber land, and hence the fine nutty flavor. You can prove to your satisfaction of its superior quality by buying a sack. Every sack guaranteed as represented.

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Grocery House and Market,  
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## WANTED...

YOUR—  
**Old Gold  
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Highest Market Price in Merchandise at  
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At Prices to Meet All Pocketbook

Handkerchiefs, Neckwear,  
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**H. C. Anthony**  
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#### PERSONAL MENTION.

George Meyers and wife left last night for Chicago.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins is confined to his home by illness today.

Mrs. R. McAlister of Neoga, is in the city visiting S. P. McAlister.

Mrs. R. M. Macmasters and Miss Grace Macmasters left today on a visit to Peru, Ind.

Mrs. Julia M. Pitts gave a dinner party today for a number of her lady friends.

Peter Vredenburg and bride left at 12:10 a. m. today for St. Louis and New Orleans.

Captain John A. Barnes in the city on a visit. He came up from Springfield last night.

Ex-Governor Oglesby arrived in the city today from Elkhart to visit J. J. Peddard who is at his home sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mueller will be at home to friends after April, 1897, in their new home at 805 West North street.

Miss Belle McHenry and Mrs. Maude Snow of Mowqua, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Miller on William street.

Will Shutt of Springfield, who was in the city to attend the Vredenburg-Hoskins wedding, was the guest of George Kniss.

Mrs. Aretus Tupper of Sheboygan, Wis., is in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. Ansel Tupper at 375 West Eldorado street. She will remain all winter.

Mrs. Judge John A. Shauk of Columbus, Ohio, is still a guest of D. A. Maffie and family. She will not return to Ohio for some time.

#### Here Goes Hutchin Again.

On Monday, Jan. 11, we will again begin our Great Annual Cut Price Shoe Sale and continue it just thirty days. This will be the greatest of all these sales; we will cut out any previous sale we ever made. A \$100,000 stock, all to be placed on the chopping block and there will be the greatest chopping of prices Decatur ever saw. Nothing reserved. We are over loaded and will unload.

Our men's \$1 calf hand sewed, all styles, \$2.45

Our men's \$2 calf congress and lace, \$1.15.

Our ladies' fine hand turns and welts, \$5 shoes, \$3.45.

Our ladies' \$2 solid wear and good style, \$1.40.

Everything in the stock in proportion. You can buy at your own price the greatest foot wear bargains you ever bought.

Walter Hutchin,

116 West 355 North Water street.

#### A Dream Realized.

She was a pensive, lovely being with her head resting on her hands. She had a most delightful dream, the same being short of the marvelous. She dreamed of her former home and friends and the delightful hours spent at brook and stream angling for the delicious black bass, croppie, cat, trout and white fish. Alas, for the awaken ing; nothing but a DREAM. No, not so; it is an assured fact that all the delights of her childhood can be realized at the ever accommodating Pearl Oyster & Fish Company, 313 North Main street, who are now receiving winter caught pickerel, black bass, cat, croppie, white fish and trout. Remember no frozen stock. Lobsters boiled while you wait. Fresh and salt mackerel. Don't forget the telephone number, 344. It

#### Will Probably Recover.

The physicians who are attending Mrs. Isaac Waller, the colored woman who was accidentally shot last Sunday, say that she will recover. Yesterday Dr. N. D. Myers and Dr. Everett J. Brown performed an operation to remove the bullet. It was found that the bullet had lodged in the tissues of the neck and had not touched a vital part. The bullet was so deep in the neck that the doctors decided that they could not attempt to get it out. They say that they think the woman's chances for recovery are good.

#### Receptions.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shlaudemau will entertain a small company of friends at cards at their home on Lincoln avenue tonight.

Mrs. Charles Powers will entertain at her home tomorrow afternoon in honor of her friend, Miss Tinkham of Toledo.

Mrs. Albert Barnes and Mrs. L. L. Race will give a reception Friday afternoon at the home of the former on West William street. The reception will be in honor of Mrs. Walter Strange of St. Paul.

#### Quinine.

Special Price on Quinine at West's Drug Store:  
2-grain Pills, per 100..... 25c  
One Ounce, Powers & Weightman's, 50c

#### Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chills, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

William M. Snyder, who has lived in Illinois since 1831, died at Arcola last Friday, aged 87.

#### About the Eye.

For people with sore eyes, weak, watery eyes, and red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, catarrh or other rise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into a spoonful of warm water and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists



#### LOCAL NEWS.

Concert Sunday night, 15 and 25 cents. Eggs are now selling at 10 cents a dozen.

The new counter is in place at the office of County Clerk Dodd.

Asa Somerville is repainting and making some repairs in his news store.

A crazy patient at the hospital was placed in charge of the county authorities today.

Last night J. Frank Jones had a 'possum supper at his home, 315 Central avenue.

Utley is having his merchant tailoring rooms in Powers' new block fixed up in fine style.

The stuffed armadillo in the window at John Weigand's cigar store attracts much curious attention. It is a strange "bird."

Sunday night concert, prices 15 and 25 cents.

The man who stole E. F. Wilk's \$135 watch and pawned it for \$2, is still at large, but the police hope to capture him.

Two tender poems on the beautiful snow were received today. They are too lengthy for publication and besides we want to spare the feelings of our readers.

Parties from Staunton, witnesses in the Joe Myers murder case, arrived in the city last night, and were in court today. Several of the witnesses are relatives of August Hickman, the alleged victim of Myers.

The wedding of Miss Mary Thorpe and William F. Witt will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Catholic church on Jan. 19, at 8 a. m. Miss Thorpe, living three miles west of Forsyth, and Mr. Witt is the son of Michael Witt of Cisco.

To Rent—Cheap, to a family without children, a house of four rooms, cellar, well, cistern and city water. Apply on premises, 705 North Union street.

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The snow began falling last night at 5 o'clock and by 11 o'clock there was enough of the beautiful on the ground to make walking exceedingly difficult. While the street cars had a hard time moving to carry the people home from the show.

A children's grand chorus of over 100 voices is being organized at the Christian tabernacle. The children will sing at the preaching services Sunday evening during the year. The professor will arrange for a children's song festival during the summer.

Eke Davidson and John Hawkins, who were arrested for stealing a watch from Mr. Thompson the day after the cake walk, were brought into the county court yesterday on an information charging larceny. They pleaded guilty and were each sentenced to thirty days in jail and to pay a fine of \$5 and costs.

#### Comic Opera.

A large audience greeted the Della Fox opera company at the Grand last night. The opera was "Fleur de Lis" in three acts, a very pleasing production given by a talented and clever company. Frank Blair and Henry Macdonough, the comedians, were the main support and charming Della as usual acquitted herself in capital style.

#### Installation.

The Ladies' Aid society and the Sons of Veterans had a joint installation of officers at the G. A. R. hall last evening. The installation was conducted by Captain Frank Cassell of the I. N. G.

The Ladies' Aid society will give a dance and musicale at G. A. R. hall next Thursday evening and are making big preparations for the affair.

#### A Broken Leg.

James McCormick, aged 50 years, took too much liquor yesterday and last evening he came to grief at the rear of a saloon, falling off a step and breaking a leg. The patrol wagon took him to the police station where he was attended by Dr. C. B. Smith, who reduced the fracture. The police will look after the old man until his friends come to take him away.

#### Royal Neighbors.

Called meeting of Olive branch camp, No. 218, R. N. of A. All members of Olive branch camp are hereby notified to be present at a called meeting to be held at their hall, corner North Main and William streets, at 9:30 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 13, 1897. The object of the meeting is to receive the report of the board of managers and to take final action on same.

#### Married.

At Grace M. E. church parsonage, Jan. 13, Rev. W. F. Gilmore, William T. Maples and Miss Emma Klipp, both of Decatur.

#### "Hoopla"

The new two step composed by Marie Powers is on sale at Powers' shoe store. 13d-df

## ORLANDO POWERS' BUILDING.

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DR. W. M. CATTO, PHYSICIAN... SUITE 309

DR. B. L. MAIENTHAL, PHYSICIAN, SUITE 322.

DR. J. G. HARVEY, Will remove from Arcade Building to his new office, Suite 318, Orlando Powers' Building.

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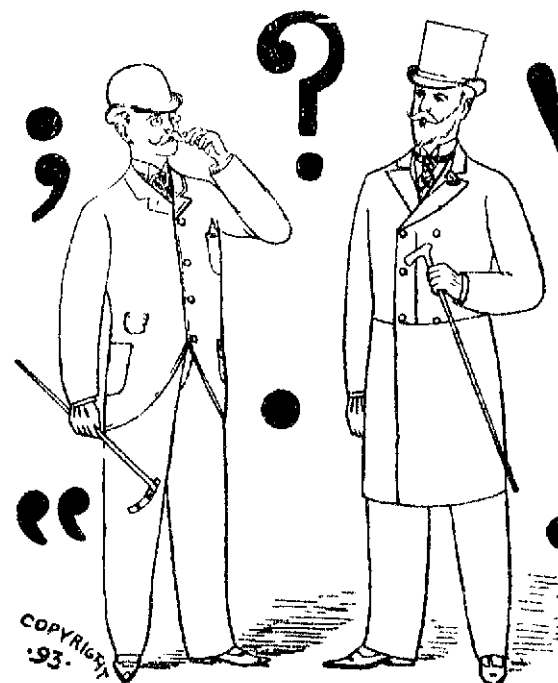
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**Our January  
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Big Mark-Down in All Departm'ts.

Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits, Overcoats, Reefers, Ulsters, Trousers and FURNISHING GOODS.

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None Genuine Without "1847"  
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These "1847 Rogers Bros." make is the old original brand of Silver Plated Knives, Forks and Spoons, and cost more in the market than any Rogers make. PLEASE DO NOT CONFUSE IT WITH Wm. Rogers, Rogers & Brother or any other Rogers, without the "1847 Rogers Bros." trade mark stamped upon them. There are twenty imitations, all of which use the word "Rogers" in some shape, but none but the genuine dare use "1847 Rogers Bros."

You should get our prices on

**Solid Silver Spoons.**

We are showing a very fine line at  
**VERY LOW PRICES.**

We claim to be Headquarters on

**Diamonds, Watches,  
Clocks and Jewelry.**

OUR SECOND FLOOR CHINA DEPARTMENT

Is second to none in the State, and we are showing  
Dinner Ware and Toilet Ware in a very large variety of  
patterns, and at prices equal to corn at 15 cents a bushel.

Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at  
**156 EAST MAIN STREET.**

## Otto E. Curtis & Bro.

## Snow And Ice

Will soon confront you and remind you  
that your Shoes or Rubbers will need to  
be replaced with a new pair. You can find  
just what you need and at the right prices  
at our store.

**Big Stock of CHRISTMAS SLIP-  
PERS to select from.**

**BUY NOW while you can get sizes.**

## FRANK H. COLE SHOE CO.,

148 East Main St. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks.

**B. F. BOBO, Manager.**

## ASSIGNEE'S SALE....

—OF—

## Smith & Calkin's Stock Up to Date Furnishings and Hats.

This is the Finest and Cleanest stock of HABER-  
DASHERY ever in the City of Decatur, and prices  
from now will be cut to less than you pay for infe-  
rior goods.

Don't fail to Call at the Haberdashery Store,

**211 North Water Street.**

**W. H. ELWOOD, Assignee.**

### HEADACHE CURED FOR 10 CENTS

AT—  
**KING'S DRUG STORE,**  
By using Dr. Hamilton's  
Headache Tablets.  
Cor. Main and Water Sts.,  
Opposite Linn & Scruggs.

### LOCAL NEWS.

**Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.**  
Read Backwith's ad on fifth page.

**Burke's White Pine Balsam** cures coughs.  
You pay a little more for Sleeth's por-  
traits but—

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made  
by Jacob Keck.

Headache cured in fifteen minutes with  
Irwin's hairless powders.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of  
bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Smoke the famous Loda, a fine 10 cent-  
er, made by John Weigand. Moh 26 tf.

Goodman band and orchestra Sunday  
night at Grand opera house. Prices 15  
and 25 cents.

Dr. Horace Reed occupied the pulpit at  
Grace M. E. church last night, preach-  
ing for Pastor Gilmore.

Sleeth is the only photographer in the  
city who guarantees satisfaction.

The high school foot ball team are reor-  
ganizing and making arrangements to  
play a game with a team of one of the  
neighboring towns.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made,  
Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

The Sons of Veterans will give an en-  
tertainment and dance Thursday evening,  
Jan. 14, at G. A. R. hall.—Jan. 13-3t

Justice Provost has decided not to move  
his office to the Millikin building. He  
will remain at the old stand for the present.

Minnie Curtis, aged 7, left her home on  
North Clayton street last Sunday against  
the wishes of her parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
John Curtis. She cannot be located.

Daniel Sherwood has been fined \$25 and  
costs for assault. Some months ago  
Sherwood became involved in a difficulty  
with a man at the back door of a saloon  
on North Water street and he was ar-  
rested for assault to kill. The man got well.  
The fine has been secured.

No better soft coal in this market than  
Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hard-  
est of any coal within 100 miles of Deca-  
tur and the harder the coal the longer it  
will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in  
stock at market price. Up town office,  
Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800  
North Broadway. Old phone 123, new  
phone 435. M. P. Metz.—21-4tf

**Ladies' and Children's made-up  
dresses, capes and cloaks nicely dyed,  
cleaned and pressed. Fine dry  
cleaning a specialty. Ladies' cloaks  
and capes re-lined and repaired.  
Plush and velvet cloaks and capes  
cleaned and steamed at Miller's New  
Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning  
Works, 145 North Main street.**

**Notice.**  
The annual election of officers of Deca-  
tur Chapter No. 111, O. E. S., will be  
held on Thursday evening, Jan. 14, at  
Masone Temple. C. M. Adams, W. M.;  
Mary A. Bradley, Sec.

We all know that your tired muscle  
can be restored by rest. Your stomach  
is a muscle. Dyspepsia is its manner of  
saying, "I am tired, Give me rest."  
To rest the stomach you must do its  
work outside of the body.

This is the Shaker's method of curing  
indigestion, and its success is best at-  
tested by the fact that these people are  
practically free from what is without  
doubt the most prevalent of all diseases.  
The Shaker Digestive Cordial not only  
contains digested food which is promptly  
absorbed without taxing the tired di-  
gestive organs, but it is likewise an aid  
to the digestion of other foods in the  
stomach. A 10 cent trial bottle will  
convince you of its merit, and these you  
can obtain through all druggists.

**Laxol** is the best medicine for chil-  
dren. Doctors recommend it in place  
of Castor Oil.

**STRAUS BROS.**  
CENTRAL BLOCK  
141 MERCANT ST.

**Wants 3500  
TO ORDER  
SUITS 1350 AND  
UP.**

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## THE MYERS TRIAL.

Opening Speeches Have Been Made  
and the Examination of Wit-  
nesses Started.

NOTHING NEW INTRODUCED.

The Testimony Given So Far is Much  
the Same as in the Former Trial—  
Coroner Bendure, the Staunton  
Jeweler and Others Put  
On the Stand.

The Joseph Myers murder case began  
in earnest today. Yesterday afternoon the  
work of securing a jury was completed and  
State's Attorney Mills began his opening  
statements. Today the examination of the  
witnesses was started. The members of  
the jury and their occupations are as  
follows:

Albert McDaniel, Macon; farmer.  
Francis Knapp, Bine Mound; farmer.  
S. L. Hill, Decatur; clerk at Wabash  
shops.

Edward Baker, Oakley; farmer.  
W. L. Newman, Decatur; teamster.  
George Price, Decatur; janitor.  
Charles Bell, Argenta; farmer.  
J. O. Spence, Decatur; painter.  
A. C. Birks, Harriestown; farmer.  
Arthur M. Boutwell, Decatur; machine  
hand.

Charles Walmsley, Decatur; drayman.  
W. C. Colman, Argo; ta.

When court opened this morning Mr.  
Mills went on with his speech. He talked  
until 10:30 o'clock. He repeated the  
same story that was brought out by the  
former trial. The fact that Myers and  
Hackman left the city together, the find-  
ing of the hammer, the watch and the  
pocketbook were all mentioned as things  
which would be introduced in evidence  
against Myers.

Attorney Redman made the opening  
speech for the defendant. The defense  
will be much the same as it was in the  
other trial. Mr. Redman in his statement  
said that they would not attempt to say  
that Hackman had not been killed but  
that if he was murdered it was not known  
who did it. He said further that on the  
day Myers and Hackman left this city to-  
gether they were seen on the other side of  
the bridge and that a witness would swear  
to this fact. The pocketbook he claims  
was brought from Pennsylvania and was  
never owned by Hackman, and that Myers  
had been paid about \$150 during the  
three months before his arrest.

The Evidence.

This afternoon the court room was  
crowded with people who were interested  
in hearing the case. The prosecution be-  
gan introducing evidence immediately  
after the noon recess. The first witness  
was Coroner Bendure who testified to the  
finding of the body. Charles Baker iden-  
tified the pocketbook found in Myers'  
possession as being one which belonged  
to Hackman. Charles Hackman of  
Staunton, testified that he recognized the  
body that was found as that of August  
Hackman. W. J. Krugg, the jeweler of  
Staunton, identified the watch which was  
pawed by Myers as one which he had  
repaired for Hackman while the latter  
lived at Staunton and produced his books  
to show that the numbers he had regis-  
tered at the time corresponded to those in  
the watch.

Endeavor Entertainment.

The Crosthwaite elocutionary and mu-  
sical entertainment, given at the First  
Baptist church last evening, under the  
auspices of the Endeavor society, refer-  
ence to which is made in another column,  
was first class in every particular and  
was much enjoyed by all present. Prof.  
Crosthwaite is a reader and reciter of  
much ability. Mrs. Fannie Crosthwaite  
rendered some high class solos, fully con-  
vincing the audience of her rare attain-  
ments.

The appearance of the little boys, Ralph  
and Robert, were looked forward to by  
the audience with much expectation.  
The prolonged encoring, on the part of  
the hearers, fully demonstrated the fact  
that they pleased all.

Who Will Be Chief Deputy?

The retirement of J. W. McClellan from  
the circuit clerk's office leaves vacant the  
place of chief deputy, a place worth \$1300  
a year. It is a place Circuit Clerk D. L.  
Foster will fill in a few days. He could  
not say this afternoon who the new chief  
deputy would be. He cannot decide at  
once. Joe's successor will have to be a  
good one.

Mrs. Epicure, what had I better have  
for Friday luncheon? Why, nothing  
more delightful than a fresh caught fish  
from Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., 248 North  
Main. Telephone 344.—15-42t

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.  
Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed  
or money refunded by all druggists, 30c.

We confess that a frozen fish is not as  
nice as fresh caught; hence we ask your  
patronage for fresh caught, pickerel,  
black bass, croppie, white cat, trout.  
Pearl Oyster and Fish Co.—13-42t

James Brennan died at Peoria from in-  
juries received by being run over by a  
street car. He was aged 34.

## STATE APPOINTMENTS.

News from the Capital—J. W. McClellan  
gets a \$3,000 berth.

A telegram from Springfield states that  
the new state officers began business on  
Tuesday, taking hold of the reins of gov-  
ernment. All day the offices, especially  
of the governor and secretary of state,  
were besieged by a horde of office seekers,  
ranging all the way from applicants for  
places on state boards to the less ambi-  
tious aspirants for jobs as janitors. As  
many as possible were heard, but when  
closing time came the crowd seemed as  
large as ever. Attorney General Aklin  
appointed ex-Senator D. C. Hagle of Clay  
county, his first assistant, and ex-Con-  
gressman C. A. Hill of Joliet, second as-  
sistant. He authorized the announcement  
that his office will be maintained at  
Springfield as the constitution requires,  
and not at Chicago, as was done by his  
predecessor.

Auditor McCullough made all of his  
appointments, the list being as follows:  
Chief clerk, H. W. Eubanks of Marion;  
revenue clerk, Captain Harrison Black of  
Marshall county; chief banking depart-  
ment, George Thomas of Chicago, war-  
rant clerk, H. D. Williams of Charleston;  
bank examiners, C. C. Jones of Rockford,  
and Jos. W. McClellan of Decatur; stenog-  
rapher, Miss Sylvia Schermerhorn; mes-  
senger, Captain W. H. Newby of Spring-  
field; janitor, Joseph Bart of Springfield.  
Eight building and loan examiners and  
clerks have been selected, but not yet as-  
signed for duty.

Secretary of State Rose announced the  
following appointments: Harry Chan-  
ahan of Pope county, chief clerk; Theo-  
dore McJoy of Pope county, private sec-  
retary; S. L. Spear of Normal, chief of the  
index department; James S. Francis of  
Johnson county, chief of the anti-trust  
department; Mr. Switzer of Fulton  
county, chief of the packing department,  
known as "room six;" Miss Furness of  
Petersburg, official stenographer. J. M.  
Jinette of Vera, Fayette county, and J.  
W. Gullette of Elizabethtown, are given  
places in the supply department. Ex-  
Representative R. J. Beck, of McHenry  
county, in chief janitor, and Albert Neal  
of Jackson county, assistant chief janitor;  
Mrs. Boswick of East St. Louis, will be  
given a place in the anti-trust depart-  
ment. This comprises the appointments  
of yesterday. The other places will be  
filled as soon as practicable.

Neither Governor Tanner nor State  
Treasurer Hertz announced any appoint-  
ments. The first official act of Governor  
Tanner was to sign the notarial commis-  
sion of Representative Abner G. Murray  
of Springfield.

Secretary of State Rose filed his official  
bond with the governor. It is in the  
sum of \$50,000, with the following sure-  
ties: John O. Humphrey, George Halsey,  
Charles G. Brown, Harrington Clannahan,  
Charles Ridgely and William Ridgely.

The bond of Edward O. Aklin, as attor-  
ney general, in the sum of \$10,000, was  
filed with Jacob A. Henry and Joseph  
Stephens as sureties.

Good for Joe.

The appointment of Joe McClellan as  
state bank examiner by Auditor McCul-  
lough was a good selection, a recognition  
of personal worth and ability, and a com-  
pliment to Macon county which is thor-  
oughly appreciated. Mr. McClellan who  
has been connected with the circuit clerk's  
office for so many years, and under Presi-  
dent Harrison's administration was a deputy  
internal revenue collector, is well  
qualified for the place to which he has  
been called. The berth carries with it a  
salary of \$3000 and expenses. Mr. Mc-  
Clellan will probably enter upon his du-  
ties at once.

DEATH OF JOSIAH ESPY.

A Well-Known Local Character Passed  
Away This Morning at His Home  
in This City.

Josiah Esby died of a complication of  
diseases this morning at 8 o'clock at his  
home, No. 441 North College street, aged  
79 years and 4 months. He has been in  
very poor health for some time and was  
confined to his bed for a year or more  
past. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Anna V.  
Esby, and one daughter, Miss Minnie  
Maud Esby.

Mr. Esby was a well known local char-  
acter and a rather peculiar man. He  
would talk at any time or place on almost  
any subject and was frequently seen car-  
rying on the street corners. He was  
quite well informed and generally under-  
stood thoroughly any subject upon which  
he touched. The time of the funeral has  
not been decided upon and will be an-  
nounced later.

To the Public.

From Jan. 13 till further notice we will  
have fresh winter caught fish, by special  
arrangement with houses handling only  
stock caught under the law. Pearl Oyster  
and Fish Co., telephone 344.—13-42t

Wedding.

Michael Connelley and Mrs. Margaret  
Williams were married Tuesday afternoon  
at St. Patrick's Catholic church in the  
presence of a large number of friends.

Number one smelt always on hand.  
Pearl Oyster and Fish Co.—13-42t

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

**Royal Baking Powder**

**ABSOLUTELY PURE**

## BIG DEAL IN SIGHT.

The W. E. Snyder & Co. Furniture  
Factory Firm Like Decatur

PROPOSE TO EMPLOY 200 YEAR ROUND

If Proposition is Agreeable Our City  
Will Have the Largest Bee Hive  
of Industry in the West

Want \$25,000.

A party of gentlemen arrived in the  
city this morning and registered at the  
St. Nicholas hotel. They are C. W.  
Smith, representing the wealthy firm of  
W. E. Snyder & Co., of Norwalk and  
Findlay, Ohio, and Frank Kern of Chi-  
cago and Mattoon, a gentleman of wealth,  
energy and push, also C. W. Kincaid of  
Mattoon. The gentlemen are here on  
business. They came over to inspect the  
extensive plant of the Decatur Furniture  
factory on East William street. They  
looked over the entire plant for Snyder &  
Co., and submitted a proposition for the  
purchase of the valuable property. The  
offer is to be considered this afternoon.  
If it is accepted Snyder & Co. will take  
possession and consolidate the factories at  
Norwalk and Findlay at Decatur and in-  
troduce new machinery, engaging in the  
manufacture of furniture on a grand scale.  
C. W. Smith is the practical man of the  
concern. The capital of the new company  
will be \$150,000 to \$200,000, and the com-  
pany will employ 150 to 200 men the year  
round for ten years. This is the guaran-  
tee. It will cost considerable money to  
bring about the consolidation of the Ohio  
plants and the removal of the new ma-  
chinery to Decatur, provided the proposed  
deal goes through, and Snyder & Co. will  
ask for a bonus of \$25,000 from our citi-  
zens to aid in meeting the expenses.

The furniture factory has been closed  
for several months. To have it started  
up again on a larger scale than ever  
would be a decidedly good thing for Deca-  
tur, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Kern  
and Mr. Smith will be able to make the  
consolidation.

The opening of the factory would give  
lucrative employment to a large force of  
Decatur men now out of work, and it  
would bring many families to our city.

Saw the Point Finally.

A man said, "When I was a young  
chap, I could use coffee and tobacco  
out their troubling me, but as I got along  
in years, they both distress me. I quit  
tobacco, but only got a little better; liver  
stomach and bowels kept all out of gear,  
until finally my old doctor told me that  
coffee had the same poisonous alkaloids  
as tobacco, but not quite so many, and  
advised me to leave it off and give nature  
a chance to build up. I didn't take much  
stock in the old man's advice, but found  
out by trying it that he was just right.  
I quit coffee and I feel like a new man.  
I didn't miss my hot drink at breakfast  
and supper—tried chocolate, but that  
lacks the taste I like, and tea don't  
exactly go to the spot. Lately I have  
been drinking Postum Cereal Food  
Coffee, and like it better than the old  
coffee. It has that pungent taste that  
fits my notion of a hot drink, and it  
agrees with me well enough that I have  
put on 10 pounds in a month. It is made  
of grains wholly, and brews a deep, rich  
color like the finest Mocha. Will buy  
it at the grocery and says it costs as much  
as one-third what coffee used to. It comes  
from Battle Creek, Mich.

Dr. Henry Young, 39 Blue Island Ave.  
Chicago, says, "The Postum has been  
tested and found to be excellent."

Beware of the fraudulent imitations of  
the original Postum Cereal Grain coffee  
inset on Postum.

The Hoskins Reception.

The reception given last evening by Dr.  
and Mrs. T. S. Hoskins following the  
marriage of their daughter and Peter  
Vredenburg, Jr., was largely attended.  
The details of the entertainment were  
complete and the reception was one of the  
handsomest that has occurred for some  
time. The guests from Springfield were  
present in the early part of the evening  
and returned home at 7 o'clock. The  
young ladies and gentlemen were invited  
from 5 to 8 o'clock and married people from  
8 till 11. The bridal party stood in the  
front parlor of the house and received with  
Dr. and Mrs. Hoskins. Refreshments were  
served in the dining room throughout the  
evening. The table was decorated with  
flowers and similar and pink and white  
carnations were given as souvenirs. The  
opera house orchestra was in attendance  
and rendered music. Several hundred  
persons called during the afternoon and  
evening.

The many gifts bestowed were dis-  
played upon wide tables in a room  
on the second floor. They were  
quite beautiful and useful, in-  
cluding costly cut glass, silverware, mu-  
sic clocks, linen, and various fancy work  
articles. The value of the cut glass was  
placed by one of the visitors at \$500.

Prices for Sunday night concert at  
Grand, 15 and 25 cents.

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Confusion Reigns at Springfield  
Rumors Thick and Fast

Madden Forces Confer At

They Want More Delay in  
the Caucus—Opposition

Madden Solidifying E

ery Hour.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 14.—

for the United States senator-  
ship of utmost confusion. The  
rumors of the withdrawal of cer-  
tain names and counter rumors fly in  
fact. It was the chief topic of con-  
ference of Madden's backers  
nearly daylight when the con-  
ference. All night long men  
kept running for members of  
the caucus who it was thought might  
bring in faulty to Madden. A  
division of the conference a me-  
Madden management said that  
no break and they would stand  
the finish. Notwithstanding  
rumors, reports are to the  
Madden's lines are wavering  
rate his people have decided  
joint Republican steering com-  
mittee to postpone the senatorial caucus  
afternoon. When the com-  
mittee rounded up this was done. Mem-  
bers are jubilant over the  
Madden conference. Other  
hope to gain largely if Madden  
to pieces.

Latest as to Madden.

It is claimed by half of the  
committee and by talks with  
members of the various senatorial  
committees, that the postpone-  
ment for the caucus was made  
on request or in the speci-  
Madden. It was claimed by  
the candidates were not quit  
the caucus and that other re-  
nouns in it desirable to postpone  
to R. Brainard, the leader of  
forces, emphatically denied the  
governor Tanner had come out  
for Madden. Brainard de-  
clined to take part in the  
fight, that Madden's friends had  
too influence and would not  
be satisfied by saying: "We have  
enough to nominate on first  
day is ours."

Midnight Gospel.

The announcement of the sen-  
atorial caucus was the announce-  
ment of ex-Representative  
Harper of Chicago. Mr. Har-  
per's considerable reputation with  
of the legislature as the father  
per high license law which  
deal of talk at the time  
After he left the legisla-  
ture pointed chief grain inspec-  
tor which position he held for  
The other candidates declared  
pursuance of Mr. Harper in  
not no figure.

Representatives of all the  
for senator held a meeting  
at Carr's headquarters yester-  
day, and agreed that the caucus  
should be held tonight. Mr. Mason  
by Representative Daugherty  
Mr. Madden by Mr. E. R.  
Chicago, Col. Carr by  
Murdoch of Knox; Mr. H.  
Aspinwall, Mr. Little by  
Selby of Sangamon, and  
by Mr. Williams.

Before the question was  
was a general expression of  
preference. Mr. Brainard  
Mr. Madden, favored this  
had gone out, he said, that  
wanted to postpone the ca-  
caus, "I wish to say,"  
this is untrue. Mr. Madde  
ready to go into caucus to  
I believe the members at  
the contest shall be settled  
able, and that they are sus-  
the sentiment throughout.

Representative Daugherty

Mr. Mason, said he prefer-  
caucus held tomorrow eve-  
ningly agreed upon. "If we  
Monday night," said he,  
living in remote parts  
not be able to get here  
hold the caucus tomorrow  
body will be there."

Senator Aspinwall, so  
Hitt, said that for some re-  
red a postponement until  
chief one being that mem-  
a further opportunity to o-